

Eugene RC Aeronauts Flying Club

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Next Club Meeting - March 2020 Meeting Canceled



From Our President

Hi All,

Well, what a difference a month makes!

I hope this finds you all happy and healthy!

Our hobby, which some Govt. officials feel must be controlled, I'd imagine has taken a back seat to a new virus! I selfishly don't see this as a bad thing! Time will tell what we're up against!

Thank you to all who came out to our first meeting of 2020, and we had a chance to lay out our plans for events this year, and I'm looking forward to a good year of flying!

I'll see you soon! Rog Eugene RC
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Secretary and Treasurers report

<u>Jeff Lutz – Secretary / Treasurer</u> <u>jefflutz@g.com</u>

Eugene RC Aeronauts members paid for 2020 Total: 39

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March 2020 Meeting Canceled

February 2020 meeting minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:04

Treasurers report read and approved
Jim reported he mowed the field for the first time this year
FAA flight tracking was discussed
Jim is planning on fertilizing in the near future

Jim said he was working on gates for drone racing that could also be used for airplanes as well

Event dates were set:

May 25 Memorial Day fun fly June 6 Mickey Cohen memorial winter build maiden day July 4 warbird fun fly August 14-16 Monsterfest September 7 Labor Day fun fly

Also, with the McMinville swap meet being canceled a few members were thinking it might be a good idea to have a club swap meet at the field. Details will be discussed at the next meeting and I will have more info in the next newsletter.

See you at the meeting next Tuesday. Everyone stay safe and see you at the field in the near future.

Treasurers report March 2020

Beginning balance: \$6,361.49

Expenses: PO Box yearly fee: \$106.00

Paper statement fee: \$5.00

Abby's Pizza: \$160.42 Pizza for February meeting

Charitable corp fee: \$50.00

Total expenses for March \$341.42

Income for March:

Membership dues: \$873.00

Total income for March \$873.00

Balance as of March 12 20 \$6,893.07

Winter Build Challenge

New Event Announcement

Mickey Cohen Memorial Winter Build Challenge

Maiden day for winter builds Will be: Saturday June 6 2020

The main goal of the Winter Build Challenge is to stimulate and encourage traditional model building within the club. It will also be a good platform for sharing modeling techniques and will hopefully provide some good content for our newsletter and Facebook page. Don't be afraid to bring your build to the monthly meetings for show and tell or advice from fellow builders. The WBC is for experienced builders and beginners alike. It's important to know you will NOT be judged at any time on your building skills.

The end game for this event will be a maiden flight party, Saturday June 6 2020. All entries will be expected to make their maiden flight, one-at-a-time, on that day. If you are not comfortable flying your plane, you can have somebody else do the test flight. After all of the maiden flights are done, successful builders become eligible to win prizes or cool stuff yet to be determined.

Here's the Challenge:

- Must be a NEW build from a balsa kit, foam kit or plans. No repair jobs of previously flown aircraft. No ARFs.
- Previously started kits are okay, but they should have no covering and the framework must be less than 50% completed.
- Models must be radio-controlled, of any size or complexity, and powered with glow, gas, or electric.

To enter, you must post at least one current photo showing the starting point of your project in our newsletter or on the clubs Facebook page. Remember, this is a social event - no secret projects allowed. To finish the challenge, your plane must be flown at the maiden flight party. The plane must take off, make at least one lap, and land.

The Challenge is open to any AMA member.

For now, let's consider these guidelines to be semi-fluid. There may be good reasons to make some tweaks down the line. It's not like this is a competition. The idea is to challenge yourself, learn a thing or two, and have fun.

If you are a relative newcomer to building, take some time to research your kit options and talk with a few experienced club members for ideas and advice. If you are an established builder grab a kit out of your stash and start gluing!

Questions, suggestions, comments, or ideas? Contact Jeff Lutz 541-954-8955 jefflutz@q.com

Once again, I will have plaques made for every builder that builds and flys a plane. I have contacted RTL fasteners in hopes of getting a few raffle prizes to raffle off to the builders. At a minimum I will purchase a plane kit to raffle once again, this year. So, get your kits out and get to building. If you've never built a kit airplane maybe this winter is the time.

List of builders so far ... Jeff Lutz Old School Model Works Javelin

Oliver Willis Ultimate Biplane
Pat Willis 1/3 scale Decathalon

Sam Hiatt Unknown



Recreational Flyer Registration Extended to Dec. 12, 2020

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has important registration information for drone recreational flyers who registered in the <u>FAADroneZone</u> before December 12, 2017. Your registration has been automatically extended until December 12, 2020.

Why Was My Registration Extended?

The National Defense Authorization Act for 2018 restored the FAA's registration rule with respect to model aircraft and recreational flying. If you registered prior to December 12, 2017 and did not request to have your registration information deleted, the FAA extended the expiration date until December 12, 2020, which is three years from the rule restoration date. If you requested a refund of registration fees, you would have had to re-register again after December 12, 2017. Therefore, your expiration date would now also be December 12, 2020, or later. At this time, you can retain your registration number.

What Should I Do Now?

- You do not need to do anything to extend your registration expiration date, this was done automatically.
- To print an updated registration card: Login to the <u>FAADroneZone</u>, select the Recreational Flyer Dashboard, and select Print.

When Will I Need to Renew My Registration?

- The FAA will send out a registration renewal email notification 180 days prior to your registration expiration date.
- When your registration renewal is available, your FAADroneZone dashboard will include an option to "Renew."
- Please note: You cannot renew earlier than 180 days prior to the registration expiration date.
 No third-party vendor can renew your registration for you at this time.

How much does it cost to renew/register?

\$5 through the FAADroneZone.

Do I need to register each drone/aircraft?

If you are registering as a Recreational Flyer, you only register once and use the same registration number on all drones that you own and intend on using for recreational flying. If you are trying to register under Part 107, then you will register each drone individually and each drone will get a separate registration number.



Field Maintenance

- Jim Corbett

March 14th McMinnville Swap Meet - CANCELED

Due to Governor Brown's declaration today regarding large gatherings in Oregon, we are forced to Cancel the March 14, 2020 Swap Meet. No reschedule plans at this time. Refunds to paid vendors will be arranged.

McMinnville Aircraft Modelers Swap Meet 2020, Yamhill County Fairgrounds, McMinnville, Ore.

Upcoming Events

Memorial Day Fun Fly, May 25th Happy Birthday!

To all members born in the month of March

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